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The buyer selects one or more bids from the list.	07	
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A buyer submits an RFQ with a set of attribute preference to an e-marketplace. The attribute preference set may include	70405
one or more business rules that can be used to create filters in the visual interface later in the bid evaluation step.	
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The e-marketplace presents a list of collected/filtered bids for the RFQ with a visual interface.	7 430
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The buyer examines/evaluates bids in the list in the visual interface. The buyer can interactively filters one or more bids in the visual interface by using one or more filters prepared by the business rules provided by the buyer.	×4×
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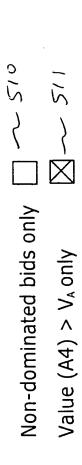
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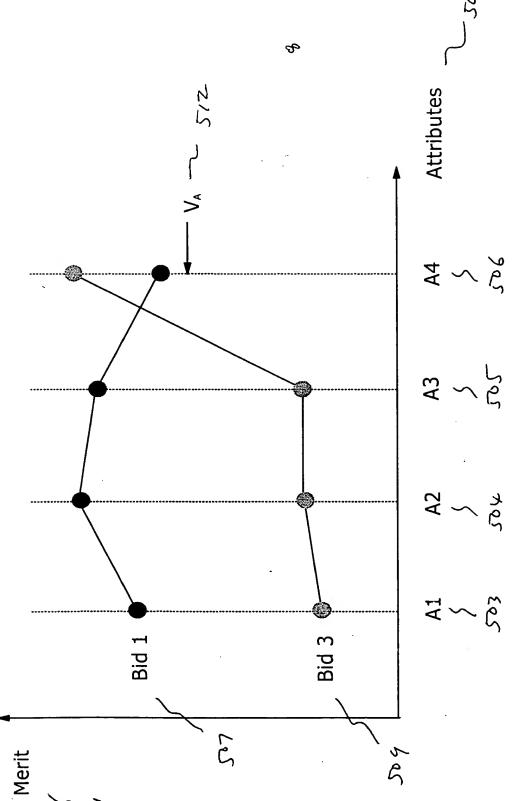


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